

**PRIMARY AND RELATED SERVICES FUNDED VIA MCKINNEY-VENTO
HOMELESS ASSISTANCE ACT IN IOWA
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Project Period: July 2003 to June 2004

Abstract:

The project components include: 1) after-school tutorial programming; 2) staff development for district staff; 3) identification of homeless children and youth through the district's social health teams and a community awareness campaign; 4) coordination of enrollment, transition, transportation, counseling and basic school supplies with community providers and schools and 5) revisions and updates on district's homeless education policies. Students in the tutoring program will receive assistance with homework and support in reading and math. Homeless students will also be provided after-school programming in the "Beyond the Bell" program (funded by another grant). Students will participate in field trips, have access to needed school supplies and health care products (back packs with school supplies will be furnished). The transportation component will provide emergency transportation. In addition, the District will work collaboratively with the HUD Homeless Transportation Project to ensure that all homeless children who wish to remain in their school of origin will be granted this request through a no-cost transportation plan. A coordinated identification and awareness campaign by district staff and community agency staff will focus on developing brochures, posters, study groups, and professional development activities to create an awareness of issues faced by homeless children and youth in the community.